

## **Professional Development Workshop**

*Growing Up WILD: Exploring Nature with Young Children* is an early childhood education activity guide that builds on children's sense of wonder about nature and invites them to explore wildlife and the world around them. Through a wide range of activities and experiences, it provides a foundation for developing positive impressions about nature while also building lifelong social and cognitive skills. Workshop participants will receive a copy of the guide and certificate of completion.

## Growing Up WILD's activity guide:

- Is written for early childhood educators of children ages 3-7.
- Features 27 field-tested, hands-on, nature-based activities in a full-color 11"x 17" activity guide.
- Includes art projects, music, conservation activities, reading and math connections and much more.
- Involves social, emotional, physical, language, and cognitive domains to help foster learning and development in all areas.
- Supports developmentally appropriate practice allowing children to learn at levels that are individually, socially, and culturally appropriate.
- Is correlated to the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Standards and the Head Start Domains.

## Get Growing Up WILD:

Date: Saturday October 24, 2015 Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Noble View Outdoor Center, 635 South Quarter Road, Russell

www.nobleviewoutdoorcenter.org

Workshop fee: \$25 (pre-registration & payment required)

To register: Please contact Pam Landry at <u>pam.landry@state.ma.us</u> or (508) 389-6310. Registration deadline October 13, 2015.

Interested in low cost overnight accommodations at Noble View? Contact Laura Stinnette at laura.stinnette@gmail.com

\*.5 CEU's

\*Please bring a bag lunch

\*Wear clothes & shoes appropriate for indoor & outdoor activities



**Exploring Nature with Young Children Ages 3-7 Project**